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Photo By Vansel Johnson

Freshmen prepare for "Sugartime" dance this Saturday. Left to Right: Robert Morris, Fay Mitchell, Robert Lawrence, Helen Starr. The UVM Catamounts will furnish music at the dance.

Debate Team To Go South

At the beginning of April, the Middlebury College debating team will send four men to the University of Virginia for a four day public speaking tournament. The members of this group will be William Walter '53, Evan Anderson '54, Ernest Lorch '54, and Robert Slocum '54. The tournament will be composed of such activities as debating, after dinner speaking, impromptu speaking, and informative speaking.

This trip will be one of the many trips that the debating team has participated and will participate in. Two weeks ago, Anderson, Kenneth Morse '54, Helju Kivimae '55 and Elizabeth Miles '55 participated in one of the largest tournaments of the East in New York. Sixty-five schools participated. Middlebury placed in the upper third by winning five of their ten debates. Notre Dame came out on top.

Tomorrow Middlebury will enter the Regional West Point National Tournament for the first time with Lorch and Walter as Middlebury representatives. Of the thirty-five schools attending, five will be chosen to participate in the national playoffs. Two other meets are scheduled for May.

Sophs Act As Midd Guides

The names of twenty-seven sophomore women who will serve as sophomore guides were announced recently by Barbara Wells, director of women's admissions.

Members of the group are: Judith Allen, Barbara Blaha, Patricia Blake, Emily Bond, Carol Clark, Marjorie Darling, Jane Ebert, Elizabeth Edwards, Barbara Hamann, Barbara Harrison, Suzanne Heyer, Barbara Hunter, Joanne Kittell, Helju Kivimae, and Elizabeth Leonard.

Also Jean MacDonald, Patricia Palmer, Gretchen Rath, Ann Singleton, Ada Sinz, Barbara Skillin, Polly Smart, Carlene Snyder, Ann Stringer, Joan Tolley, Ann Towle, and Nancy Walker.

ROTC Director Assumes Duties

Lt. Col. Alexander McElroy arrived Monday to assume duties as head of the ROTC unit at Middlebury. McElway's appointment will be for sixty days when a permanent director will be designated. Lt. Col. Bayliss who was previously announced for the position was forced to resign due to illness.

Griese Wins Year's Study InPhilippines

John Griese '53 has been announcer recipient of a Fulbright Fellowship for the coming academic year. Greise plans to continue his work in social sciences at Silliman University in the Philippines.

Action on several other Middlebury applicants is pending.

A Fulbright scholar receives full expenses for a year's study at a foreign university, including transportation. An applicant must pass the approval of several boards on local, regional, and national levels. The fellowships are designed to promote a better understanding between the United States and other countries.

Greise will be one of eight studying in the Philippines.

A transfer from R. P. I. at the end of his freshman year, Greise is a joint sociology and psychology major. He has been a laboratory assistant in the psychology department since coming to Middlebury. A member of Theta Chi, he has also served on the staff of WRMC.

Infantry Choraleers Sing Friday Night

DePaur's Infantry Chorus will perform tomorrow night in the High School gym as part of the Concert-Lecture Series.

Leonard de Paur Conducts Group

The de Paur Infantry Chorus, nationally acclaimed as one of the finest singing groups in America, will present a musical program at the Middlebury High School auditorium Friday night, March 27. It will be the second attraction in this year's Middlebury College Concert- Lecture Series, and, like the others, admission will be by ID card. The concert will begin at 8:15.

The de Paur Infantry Chorus is composed of thirty-six Negro veterans of World War II. It was organized informally within the 372nd Infantry Regiment at Fort Dix, N. J. in 1942. Some time later at Hawaii they gave a performance for the Pacific High Command which attracted the attention of military officials. The chorus was detached from the 372nd Infantry Regiment and made an independent unit under Captain de Paur to entertain the United States fighting forces. During the rest of the war, the men gave more than two thousand concerts for American servicemen.

Following a Pacific tour in 1946 the chorus was signed for a civilian tour. It turned out to be a tremendous success, and the chorus has continued to please music lovers ever since.

During its Army tours of foreign countries, the chorus became acquainted with many types of music from many nations. Part of the repertoire to be presented at Middlebury will consist of folk music from other lands, as well as spirituals, World War II songs, and contemporary classics.

Lester Lanin Band To Play At Juniors' Roman Holiday

By Midge Dickie '56

A rally on Thursday night, a barbecue at 4:30 on Saturday afternoon for the entire college, Lester Lanin and his hats are all new attractions for the traditional Junior Weekend which will be held this year from April 23 to April 25 as announced by the co-chairmen, Joanne Ver Bryck '54 and Thomas Beers '54.

A rally featuring inter-fraternity skits will be the first event on the weekend schedule. This event will take place from 7 until 9 p. m. on Thursday night, April 23. The prize for the winner of the contest will be a keg of beer. From 9 until 11 p.m. the fraternities will present their queen candidates at open houses. The junior queen herself will be chosen by three faculty judges on the usual basis.

Roman Holiday

Roman Holiday will be the attraction on Friday night from 9 to 1 a.m. Lester Lanin will provide the music for the dance which will have a Roman garden theme complete with modernistic trees, columns, a colosseum and "wine" spurting from a fountain. The dance will be informal with cocktail-length dresses for the women and suits for the men.

The juniors are preparing the creek between the football field and the field house with plenty of mud for the tug of war which will be waged on Saturday at 2 p.m. A baseball game between Champlain College and Middlebury will follow the tug of war. At 4:30 a barbecue for the whole school will be given. Saturday will be completed with the annual variety show in the evening. Traditional step singing on Sunday evening will end the events of the weekend.

This year the juniors are selling posters similar to Carnival posters in order to publicize the bigger and better weekend which they are presenting.

The women will be given 11 p.m. permits on Thursday night, 2 a.m. permits on Friday night, and 1 a.m. permits on Saturday night.

Variety Show Readies Skits

The annual combination of skits, songs, and collegiate patter, known as the Variety Show, is now rehearsing for its presentation on Saturday, April 25 during Junior Weekend.

John Clark '53 and Margaret Schlumpf '53 have announced that this year's show will be built around three skits and will be tied together by numerous song and dance numbers and fillers.

The prize winning script "Modern Education" will have as its star,

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Limit Set On Frosh Courses

Freshmen will be limited to courses designated 10 through 19 beginning next semester, according to an announcement by the president's office. At present they may enroll in certain courses designated 20, 30 and 40 if the subjects are approved by the department.

At the same time, five courses now designated 20 and 30 have been dropped to the series running 10 through 19. Music 23 will become Music 13, Sociology 21 will become Sociology 11, Psychology 21 will be Psychology 11, History 33 will be History 13 and Italian 25 will become Italian 15.

This Week

Required assemblies for juniors and seniors on Friday, March 27; and for freshmen and sophomores on Saturday.

Coffee Hour at 4:30 p.m. on Friday in South Lounge.

DePaur Infantry Chorus program at 8:15 p.m. on Friday in High School auditorium.

Sugaring Off on Saturday, March 28, from 1:30 through 4:30 p.m. on Bread Loaf campus.

Freshman Dance at 8 p.m. Saturday night at McCullough Gym.

Freshman - sophomore chapel on Palm Sunday, March 29.

Imperialism, Nationalism, Cooperation Highlight Varied Conference Discussion

Middlebury students heard noted speakers discuss the topic "How Can Peoples Outside the Iron Curtain Achieve Unity and Understanding?" at the eleventh annual Middlebury Conference this weekend. Large crowds attended the keynote address by President James Baxter of Williams, the two panels, the informal discussion on Saturday night and the summary address on Sunday.

Edward Perrin '53 and Faith Nielsen '53 were co-chairmen of the Conference; and Robert Klein of the economics department was faculty chairman. CAMPUS reporters attended the various events and report below on the ideas and opinions expressed by the speakers.

Keynote

By Barbara Hunter '55

"It is through the massing of the determination of all the men and women in the free world that we can come to victory without full-scale war." Such was the tone of the direct and challenging keynote address given by Dr. James Baxter, president of Williams College, in the openinng session of the 1953 Middlebury Conference last Friday night.

Dr. Baxter pointed out that, whereas twenty years ago there was a sharp cleavage in both parties between the internationalists and isolationists, the public has since become aware of the Russian danger; and in 1952 both parties nominated strong internationalist candidates. In meeting the danger, we must learn to know not only our allies but also the Russian satellites, as there is a real possibility that they, like Tito, may suddenly become detached from the Soviet Union.

Dr. Baxter mentioned three phases through which Russian policy has gone since the war. The first was one of inactivity, with the Russians confident that relaxing and discord among the western powers would enable subversive Communist groups to gain power within the free countries. When they found that the west was not going to fall, the Russians tried aggression, as demonstrated in the Berlin blockade and the Korean war. After it was clear that the democracies would not take this aggression lying down, they used a third policy of "playing one country off against another."

The Russians have not already struck, explained the speaker, because of our stockpile of atomic

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Photo By Vansel Johnson

Dr. T. Z. Koo (center) explains problems of the Far East to students at the Chateau informal discussion.

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bombs, the immense superiority of the U. S. Steel production, and the hope that they can win what they want without fighting.

Having abandoned the idea of appeasement and undertaken the leadership of the free world, the United States has led "the most impressive mustering of force the world has yet seen short of full-scale war." To avoid an all-out struggle, "the American people need patience, resolution, and the unshaking determination to risk conflict if need be, rather than to pave the way for a third war by another Munich." These desired qualities, the speaker felt, have been clearly demonstrated by the new administration.

However, our own resources and leadership are not enough, Dr. Baxter said; even more important, we must learn to work with our allies. It is imperative he concluded that we make them feel that we are working "not for the United States, but for the collective N. A. T. O.," in order to unite effectively the determination of the free world.

Dr. Ernest Kalibala from Kenya Colony in Africa is flanked by Conference Co-chairmen Faith Neilsen '53 and Edward Perrin '53

West Panel

By Ann Towle '55
Beverly Watkins '56

Dr. Ernest Kalibala, former area specialist of the U. N., opened the West panel discussion with a dramatic expression of the African attitude on the problem of unity among the non-Iron Curtain countries. He stressed the misunderstanding and lack of concern of the white people towards the problems of Africa, and he presented facts and statistics about the race inequality and economic, social and educational inefficiencies of the area.

Dr. Kalibala elaborated on five major problems which are preventing unification. One lies with Europe and America where too many people are interested only in furthering their own ends. Christianity is failing to play its part in aiding the situation. Moreover, necessary technology should be spread over the world, and correct information about Africa should be taught in all schools.

Abolishment of colonialism was particularly emphasized by Dr. Kalibala, who felt that the West is doing as much harm in Africa as could be done by communism. He concluded that unity and understanding is as simple as we want it to be.

Dr. Jan-Albert Goris, Belgium authority, discussed the role of Belgium in world unity. Since 1900 the tendency in the small countries has been to disregard their nationalistic instincts, and now economic conditions and necessities are the dominant factors. In answering the question "Is Europe a unity or can it ever be one?" Dr. Goris set forth three determinants: first that psychologically the smaller nations have an inferiority complex which causes them to be constantly on the defensive. The political aspect poses few problems since none of the small countries have aggressive intentions. The third and main problem in unification is economic; but in spite of the disparity between large and small nations, the small nations have shown the way toward economic union as evidenced in the Steel and Coal Union and the E. D. C. In conclusion, Dr. Goris reaffirmed that the small countries have more than taken their share in furthering unity.

The American point of view on the topic of unity was presented by the third panel speaker, Dr. Oscar Handlin of Harvard University. He stated four general sources of misunderstanding that prevent the unification of these nations; first, that we all are drawn together only by the nature of the common enemy we face. Secondly, we have no sense of a common objective such as the Communists have. Similarly, we have no common faith like the Russian ideology which covers all aspects of life. Lastly, we have failed to develop a sense that all the nations have the same stake in the victory over communism.

In conclusion, Dr. Handlin reemphasized that the United States must make clear that its faith is applicable to all the world. And we must undergo both reaffirmation and application of our acts of faith of democracy as expressed in our Constitution.

Concluding the West panel, Mr. Vincent Guilloton, professor at Smith College, presented the French feelings toward the problem of unity. France, he said, has contributed ideas, plans, and men towards the solution of this question, but she is tending to be reluctant toward further action. At present the United States is attempting to achieve ratification of the E. D. C. pact which was signed last spring, but the French are forestalling this move. Mr. Guilloton said that the two major reasons for this are: first, that the emphasis of the E. D. C. of the present has changed from economics to war; and secondly, that since last spring the Germany which is to be rearmed has become decidedly stronger.

Mr. Guilloton concluded the best way to defend unity is not by creating two independent Western units, Anglo-Saxon and European, but by guaranteeing the nations of Europe a degree of defense by having United States troops remain in the area for a definite length of time.

East Panel

By Harry Oram '56
Judy Berry '55

On Saturday afternoon the viewpoints of unity were presented from oriental, Middle Eastern, and Indian perspectives. "The main current of life in China today is not Communism, but nationalism" was the opening statement of Dr. T. Z. Koo, professor of oriental studies at the University of Iowa. In discussing the Revolution of 1911, Dr. Koo stated that the objectives of nationalism were three fold; democracy, as applied to China's effort to substitute an elective form of government for a 3000 year old monarchy; livelihood, an effort to improve the economic and social conditions of the people; and spirit, in terms of national unity.

In considering relations between the East and West Dr. Koo found three phases of imperialism (territorial, economic, and social) as the major stumbling blocks to unity outside the iron curtain. "There can be no peaceful relations between the East and West until these forms of imperialism are changed to equality and reciprocity," said Dr. Koo. He concluded by stating that the basic conflict of the world today is one between democracy and totalitarianism, and that we as students should strive to further the perfection of this democracy.

To understand ouselves and to know our allies were the major suggestions of India's representative Thomas Yahkub, professor of Far Eastern affairs at Goddard College. By working through the United Nations we can best achieve international unity without eliminating national sovereignty. To avoid a balance of power and alliances which ultimately lead to war, the United States should carefully analyze its allies. Mr. Yahkub stressed the point that we should encourage interpretations of democracy applicable to the prevailing conditions of individual countries, a policy to which India has long prescribed.

"Although we ought to follow harmony . . . nothing could be a better guide than truth itself" were the opening words of Edward Jurji, associate professor of Islamics at Princeton University. The first of four propositions involved the intense self-consciousness of the Middle Eastern countries which can best be seen on the floors of the United Nations. No interpretation of the Middle East can be sound unless it considers the geographical and economic problems of the heartland countries, was the second of his propositions. In Dr. Jurji's third proposition he discussed the factors which govern the role of the Middle East. "Friendship is the greatest American export", but Jurji said that we should not antagonize the Arab world in our support of nationalistic Israel. In conclusion he stated that we must not forget that the Middle East is the cradle of two religions; the United States must adopt, a policy of tolerance if unity is to be achieved.

Harrison Forman, explorer, author, and lecturer, in discussing China defined foreign imperialism in the following manner: "when we Chinese go to your country we have to learn your language; when you people come here we still have to learn your language." History records this intense intervention of foreign powers with accounts of the Open Door policy, extraterritoriality, and the use of the English language in Chinese affairs. What does Communism actually mean to the Asiatic masses? Mr. Forman contended that "China has been conquered by the Communists, but not by Communism." With an illustration he pointed out that the average Chinese peasant sees Communism as a Westerner views Robin Hood - take from the rich and give to the poor.

In the ensuing question period numerous important points were analyzed. In answer to the inquiry "Will the Chinese Communists break away from Russia?" Mr. Forman answered and Dr. Koo agreed that Mao Tse Tsung is a colleague and not a puppet of the Kremlin.

Perhaps the most pertinent question concerned our position as college students in achieving unity. In commenting on this Dr. Koo pointed first to the illiteracy of the American student in Far Eastern affairs, and secondly to the hypocrisy as displayed in campus segregation and the exclusion clauses of fraternities and sororities.

Summary

By Don Nason '54
Mel Gussow '55

In his summary address, Dr. George McReynolds, Conference moderator, optimistically discussed the question of unity and understanding; but he stressed the need for a more positive approach from the West than the present one which focuses solely on Russia as a common enemy and neglects the development of those areas which are not presently affected by communistic influences.

Dr. McReynolds noted the following areas of disagreement among panel speakers. Those coming from the United States and Europe were primarily concerned with the Russian threat, while those from Africa and Asia were more directly involved with the end of colonialism and an improved economic and social status for their peoples. Westerners seemed to consider the question of unity only from the standpoint of an integrated Europe, while non-Europeans felt that that is only part of the complete answer. Although the speakers agreed that freedom is a necessity in Africa and Asia, they differed on its meaning and implications. In these two areas, Dr. McReynolds pointed out that nationalism is the driving force, but democracy is a questionable goal.

After hearing Saturday's discussion, Dr. McReynolds stated that imperialism must end and that the United States should assume leadership by developing a concept of unity based on interdependence. A more factual and comprehensive approach to the problems in colonial areas should be presented immediately to the Western world.

The moderator continued that up to this time, American policy in the Far East has been too little, too late; and it has failed to convince other peoples that our struggle and their's is one and the same. American power and objectives are only slightly less feared than Russia's, because of the attitude that what is good for us is good for them. Patience and understanding from these peoples was considered imperative by Dr. McReynolds, if the United States is to successfully retain world leadership.

Concerning the particular role that the United States should assume, Dr. McReynolds stated that we should "have a deep fundamental faith in which we believe, which will guide our policies in their formation and execution. It has included and still includes an abhorence of colonialism, an end to the exploitation of man, support for the nationalistic aspirations of dependent peoples, a belief in the dignity of the individual, a strong belief in, and support for, a strengthened United Nations, and a recognition of the fact that the end does not justify the means."

Five panel members then contributed their closing remarks. Mr. Kalibala agreed with all of Dr. McReynold's statements, but asked that personal relationships with such areas as Africa be strengthened. Harrison Forman urged that we consider the other's point of view, sift facts, and then draw conclusions. Idealism, tempered by realism, was Guillotin's solution. Hope for the success of the U. N. was seen by Dr. Koo, but only if each country breaks through its national shell. Mr. Yahkub concurred, asking that it be realized that no two hilltops are the same, that opinions will, and do, differ. In concluding the 1953 Conference, Dr. McReynolds advised the U. S. to formulate a statement of principles, which would serve to impress on other nations the desirability and necessity of peace.

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No Compromise

Evidence that the administration and faculty are concerned with the familiar problem of why freshmen do poorly at Middlebury is shown by the recent action by the faculty which dropped five courses designated 20 and 30 into the series running from 10 to 19. Thus Music 23 becomes Music 13 and History 33 becomes History 13. At the same time, it will become impossible for freshmen to take any course designated 20 or above.

This action is not far reaching in itself. It merely means that freshmen will not be so baffled in choosing courses during their first semester. They will not have to debate whether or not it is wise to take a 30 course even though it sounds like an advanced course. Every subject open to them will be geared to freshmen, even though upper classmen may still enroll.

Although this change in course numbers is really only a means of clarifying a confusing situation, it can be taken as the first of several steps designed to aid entering freshmen. If such is the case and if further, more constructive changes are forthcoming, then some real improvement may result in the future.

But, although improvement is sought, we must be certain that improvement will result. In the present situation, for instance, here is apparently an attempt to gear freshmen courses to a freshmen level, although upper classes will be permitted to enter. The question is will this leveling lead to a watering down of the freshmen courses? While freshmen, for the most part, should be in competition with their own groups, their courses must be tough enough to weed out those who should not be here at all and should give sufficient preparation for advanced work in the following years. We do not feel that it is wise to create different levels of courses when, theoretically, a college generation is all of a similar level in intelligence.

These things obviously will not result from changing five courses and imposing a measure of limitation. But there are factors to be watched in this and future actions. The faculty, evidently, are aware of the factors; but the students, whom the change will affect, sould know what is happening and should, if they want to get the best education for their money, exert effective pressure in the right direction.

The problem of freshmen marks is certainly important. But in attempting to solve it, there should be no compromise with educational standards. In the final analysis, high standards are more apt to insure good students.

Duff '49, Town Manager, Coordinates Local Affairs

By John Von Hartz '55

In the spacious town manager's office, below the Town Hall Theater, abides a one man gang that keeps the cogs of Middlebury's village and township machinery turning. The engineer is the ubiquitous Thomas Duff of the class of '49. Mr. Duff's official title is Town Manager, but his duties require a bevy of titles from Head of the Zoning Board to Overseer of the Poor.

A Town Manager, as Mr. Duff explained, is a servant of the council which is composed of selectmen and trustees. In Middlebury the village itself has seven elected trustees, and the township has three selectmen, who are also elected. These ten men make up the council which does all the legislative work. The town manager, on the other hand, does no legislative work but handles all the various and sundry jobs essential for the running of a town.

The Town Meeting

Mr. Duff is also an ardent believer in the old New England institution, the town meeting. Recently a town meeting was held and in two hours it had made three minor tax distributions, voted for daylight saving time, abrogated taxes on dwellings and the airport, voted a tax to pay the town's outstanding debts, authorized the selectmen to borrow money for the town, and voted a four per cent reduction of taxes if paid on time. The meeting also levied a tax for roads and schools and elected a new school director. There were various other smaller items.

All these measures were passed on an oral vote, but there were three bills of sufficient import to require Australian ballots. The town voted wet for the third straight year, they retained the town manager system, and they vetoed the proposed building of a new bridge. You can see from this that the town meeting doesn't waste any time, for under a better developed bureaucracy this hunk of legislation might have taken the town manager's term to complete.

Explanations

Tom Duff is often called on to explain certain things at the meetings; thus, the service of direct representation is kept right up the line. At least one meeting must be held a year, but anytime ten per cent of the voters sign a petition they can have a town gathering. A warning is posted telling of the issues to be discussed, then everything is all set. The official annual meeting is held on the first Tuesday of March. The voters don't wait for a town meeting to call on Mr. Duff, however. The Garden Club or the Boy Scouts may need him at the drop of a tulip or a good deed. "I do everything from administer the town to help bury the dead," as he puts it, and he's not far from wrong.

Midd '49

Norwich, Connecticut, was the original home of Tom Duff. He went to American International for a year before the army caught up with him. He spent three years in the ski troops (he had never been on skis before in his life) then came to Middlebury where he was graduated in 1949. He is starting his third year as town manager.

Letters

To the Editor:

May I make two brief comments upon Jerry Gross' column of two weeks ago in the CAMPUS. Nothing could have been finer or more appropriate than his tribute to Captain Fred Brooks of the basketball team. In my judgement Fred has been one of the best team captains I have seen at Middlebury, and that is true largely because in character he is outstanding among all Middlebury men.

And thanks, Jerry, for your mention of my own attendance at games. I like to think that "they also serve who only stand and wait," a condition that must overtake us all when it is no longer possible for us to participate in our favorite games. I wish I might turn the clock back as easily as you suggest, but truth compels the admission that it has been thirty years, rather than twenty-three, that I have been wearing out seats in the stands. But it hasn't been quite as one-sided as it sounds, for during more than twenty of those years I have been able to leave a few cleat marks upon the baseball fields.

The only reason for mentioning this is that I would have those who hang up their Midd uniforms for the last time this spring realize that this is not the end of the trail, and if they truly love baseball they can play at it for at least another twenty-five years. If their speed diminishes, their pleasure can grow.

Perley Perkins
Associate Professor
of English

An unsigned letter concerning the sorority question at Middlebury has been received by the CAMPUS. Because it is against the newspaper's policy to print unsigned letters in this column, the letter has been given to the Pan-Hellenic group. If the authors of the letter, "friends of many students at Middlebury," submit their names, the letter will be printed.

Midd Drifts

Conference "show stopper" was T. Z. Koo, his magic flute, and his animate hands. He actually did stop the show on Saturday night, when he played some old Chinese folk songs on his ten cent flute. One was something called "The Happy Fisherman." Move over "Doggie in the Window."

Engaged over the past weekend: Ronald Bartone '56 to Carol Ann Fanning '56 ,Pembroke.

Samuel Patch '54 has been named Chief Justice of the Judiciary Committee of the Men's Assembly for the coming year. Walter Beevers '55 is secretary, Leslie Streeter '55 is the prosecutor. The judges include Douglas Binning '54, Donald Menard '54, James Ralph '54 and Jeremy Foss '54.

Aaron Petty, first Middlebury graduate, graduated in August, 1802.

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Diamond Drills Start This Week

Photo By Vansel Johnson

Coach Bobo Sheehan

By Art Goldberg

As the temperatures soared up to the fifties, and the last traces of snow disappeared, there settled over the campus that lazy happy-go-lucky feeling known as Dunmoritis. For those who still felt athletic, Coach Bobo Sheehan issued the call to arms for his diamond legions. On Tuesday a large contingent of freshmen came out and today the veteran upperclassmen led by Capt. Peter Marshall made their initial appearance on Porter Field turf.

Taking a quick look at the 1952 edition of the Panthers, we see that shortstop Scooter Paulson and outfielders Bob Stalker and Cricket Curtis are no longer around. The loss of these three key men will put quite a dent in the Middlebury attack especially in the power department. In addition Barrie Storrs the stopper on last year's mound staff, has graduated.

At this point the infield seems fairly strong. Returning are Capt. Marshall at second base, third sacker Doug Binning, first basemen Roger Colton and catcher Dick Allen. Allen, Binning and Marshall all hit over .300 in the 1952 campaign and should form the nucleus of a hard hitting club providing Bobo can find a long ball hitter or two to drive in the runs.

The outfield lost two key men, but holdovers Cahill, Skiff and Makin are ready to step in and fill the breach. Makin may be the answer to the power hitting problem if he can continue to clout the ball as he did in the final stages of last season.

Pitching is another big problem that the Panthers will have to solve if they are to keep in contention this year. George Christian and lefty Neil Sheehan will be ready to hurl, but Bill Fankhauser is a big question mark. He was plauged by a sore arm in 1952, but if he is allright he will be a big help to the pitching staff.

The unknown quantity of course are the crop of freshmen ball players. Judging by the performances of Buzz Allen, Tom Hart and Ronny O'Keefe this winter the freshmen class will probably provide a lot of good material to go along with the returning lettermen.

Although they won the state championship last season, the Panthers were only able to post a 7-9 season record. This season won't be very easy either, with tough games against Williams, Trinity and Wesleyan in addition to the traditional state rivals. However, with more than a month to go before the Junior Weekend opener with Champlain it is much too early to predict anything.

Photo By Vansel Johnson

Capt. Pete Marshall

Track Team Looms As "Best Ever"

Let's Be Frank

By Frank Sullivan

THE PLACE - The exercising room of the Memorial Field House, a room which has housed at various times, excited sportscasters, a variety of assorted muscle builders and decathlon aspirants who are gunning for glory in the '53 Kelly Olympics.

THE TIME - One of those afternoons which is commonly known as "my first time out."

THE SCENE - A conversation between two athletic neophytes as they strive to remove that last layer of winter fat before the season gets underway. One is a lithe and lanky track hopeful, spurred by the confidence of his press clippings. The other a short but stocky follower of the art of baseball and a fan of that Brooklyn Bum, Camp Campanella.

THE TRACKMAN - (with frequent grunts as he attempts to touch his toes while sitting with his feet spread at a convenient breadth of one foot) "Gee, I don't know what happened to me Monday, that track was sure muddy. I made the team," he tossed in proudly, "but those hayburners shouldn't have beat me in the 220, my best event. We'll see who gets under 0:23 next time. How did you make out in your meeting on Tuesday?"

THE CATCHER - "Well, we couldn't do much, just throw the ball around and do callisthenics. There was about ten guys out for catcher. You can't do much until after the first cut. Wow, these deep knee bends are hard. . . . . 47, 48, 49 and fifty. Whew, I'll have to up the count if I ever expect to get behind the plate this year. Allen's going to be a tough man to beat out. Wait a minute, I have to wring out my T shirt. There, now I can really work up a sweat!"

TRACKMAN - "Isn't that Tom Hart who just walked over to the high jump? I heard he did pretty good down at Blair. I think he's crazy to jump in here, its too easy to get a bone bruise."

CATCHER - "What do ya care? If your in shape, nothing will ever bother ya."

TRACKMAN - "Still and all, ya wouldn't catch me leaping over that bar with just the mat to fall on."

CATCHER - "Look at the spring that guy's got." (making another move toward the slop bucket where he squeezed his shirt.)

TRACKMAN - "That kid's a marvel, no wonder he was so good off the backboards. I wonder what height the bar is set at?" Let's see, I'm 6-foot-one. Damned if that bar doesn't seem level with my head. Let's go over and see what he's doing."

The two aspirants crowded about the uprights with the other exercisers, who had also dropped their contortions to observe this tall, lanky lad make kangaroo jumps over the black and white crossrod.

CATCHER - "There's Don Faber, let's ask him what height it is. What's the height of the bar, Don?"

TRACK CO-CAPTAIN - "Oh, about six feet even, a little more, a little less."

CATCHER - "Come on, that would of won the nationals last year. Cut the bull."

FABER - "Well, I'll tell you what. When Bobo has you sitting down at the far end of the bench during the Champlain game, why don't you duck across the ball park and see him do it officially. And maybe if you want to see some other tricks, you can stay and see George West run a sprint."

CATCHER - "Me, watch track? I'd rather go to the Polo Grounds and cheer the Giants."

Sailing, Lacrosse, Tennis Golf Move Into Gear

Lacrosse

The lacrosse team took to the field last week, with co-captains Jimmy Bartlett and Bob Kelley leading the way. After a rough season last year the stickmen are looking ahead hopefully to the 1953 campaign.

Coach Parker's club will open the season on April seventeenth at Brown, and will play at Tufts the eighteenth. After two more games on the road they will return to Midd to open the home season. The toughest team to be encountered this year is Williams, one of the top clubs in the east.

Outstanding men in the attack department are "Monk" Ogden and co-captain Bob Kelly. Bob Sullivan, who has changed from mid-field, may also shine on attack. Top mid-field men are Dave Stone, Hap Freeman, Bob Kileen, and Bob Gallager. Two outstanding freshmen mid-fielders are Fred Weitzel and Walt Thompson. On defense the standouts are co-captain Jimmy Bartlett, George Byers, Jim Ashworth, Clive Coutts, Armin Lindenmeyer, and Marcy Garcia. Dave Strachan is the best prospect in the goal.

Tennis

The Middlebury netmen who have been playing upon the concrete courts of the Memorial Field House have had their first outing of the season and it looks like this season will sport a well-balanced contingent of racketeers with the accent on depth as well as skill. Coach Lockwood Merriman with Capt. Bob Dodge have been analyzing the prospects of the team and it seems the starting posts will be filled by Spike Hemingway, (much improved over last year), Bob Beattie, Doug Burden, and Bob Black. In addition these returning veterans will be Frosh tryouts by the names of Fred Patterson and Verne Grey who will also be figuring in the coming season's matches.

The first game of the season is against the Dutchmen of Union College on the Union Courts, April 25th. Out of the nine games that the Tennis team plays seven are away games. This shift of schedule has offered the team the better competition which has been needed to to cope with the improved team play. Williams, one of the best tennis teams in the East, will provide the stiffest competition. If the team can repeat the 7-2 record that they posted last year they will indeed bring laurels to Middlebury tennis.

Sailing

The skippers of the Middlebury Yatch Club boasting a new comet sailboat will open the season at Boston on the Charles River when they take on the combined opponents of Tufts and M. I. T. in one of the first collegiate cup races of the N. E. I. S. A. Back from last season of this bi-annual sport are mainstays Ralph Gunderson, ladies champ, Pat Hinman, Gordy Brown, Stumps Stewart, Stan Holt, Red Hill and Corny Shields.

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West And Faber See Stronger Field Division

The board track behind McCullough is reverberating this week to the sneaker-clad feet of several dozen eager, sweating undergraduates as the first series of time trials are being run off under the supervision of Coach Arthur Brown.

Fifty-one Candidates

For several weeks, now workouts have been held indoors,, but it is only this week that the squad has at least partially emerged from the confines of the Field House. Some fifty-odd candidates are out and prospects are bright for a banner season despite the loss of such stalwarts as Ray Ablondi, Dick Daily and Ron Prinn. Many experienced freshmen have turned out for the squad, some of them sporting enviable prep school records.

Track Events

Nevertheless, it is the returning lettermen who will in all probability impart the greatest strength to the team. Led by co-captains George West and Don Faber, the veterans present a formidable array. In the middle distances Sonny Dennis and George Limbach will no doubt head the list, ably abetted by promising new-comers Curt Curtis and Al Ledyard. Rog May and Brooks Dodd are both back in their respective distances of one and two miles and are likely to get competition from frosh Stan Hayward who reportedly runs the mile in 4:40 or better. In the hurdles, a large number of candidates will be vying for positions led by Don Frederickson and Denny Gamble in the highs and Earl Bolton, Jere Foss and John Bagnall in the lows. Also in the running are Tom Beers and freshmen Billy O'Malley and Dick Westfall. George West is a cinch to again dominate both sprints but he will have to move to beat such speedsters as Harry Myers, John Baker and Dennis.

In The Field

The high jump seems to be shaping up as the strongest field event with Tom "Rebound" Hart doing a consistent six feet and better. Right behind him are veterans John Field and Pete Terry and frosh Flip Terhune and John Miller. Fred Norton and Pete Cascio will take care of the pile vault while Terry is the best bet in the broad jump. The weights will be thrown furthest, judging from last Monday's trials by Field and Faber along with freshmen Bernie Bouvier and John Snell. Last but not least is Russ Briggs, out in front in the javelin department. The first meet is a quadrangular affair at Lewiston, Maine on April 25th involving Bates, Colby, and U. V. M.

Mayhem

By Roger May

The rather bold announcement that this year's track team should be "the best ever" must be heart-warming to anyone who has ever put in time on the cinders of Porter Field. Track at Middlebury was a dying sport until 1950 for the three pretty obvious reasons of Dunmore, poor facilities, and lack of talent.

Perhaps first credit for the revival of interest in the sport should go to Irv Meeker a record-holding hurdler who single handedly represented and placed Middlebury in the large New England meets for three years prior to 1951. It was he who drew the fans despite 5:05 miles and feeble hammer throws.

When Meeker graduated, Dick Dailey carried on the hurdle tradition, and Ray Ablondi attracted attention in the quarter. But a sophomore by the name of George West moved into the limelight by virtue of his famous dash duels with Willie Howard, record sprinter from UVM. Even in 1951, though, West was better known in Boston than he was on his own campus after setting a new EICA meet record in the 220 and winning the hundred yard dash besides.

Last year, the era of the fifteen man track team appeared over when some sixty went out. Records in the 100 yard dash and high jump were wiped off the books and the discus mark was missed by just a foot. For the first time in years, Williams found the Panthers a worthy opponent. In 1950, the Ephmen had rolled up 105 points, and the next year it was 90. Last season the score was 76-48 and in 1953, Middlebury may well find herself in

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Betsy Strong 4th In EASA Slalom

Betsy Strong, captain of the women's skiing team, coupled a third in the slalom last Sunday with her previous 6th place in Saturday's downhill to give her an alpine combined position of third in the annual running of the women's eastern combined championships at Mad River. Pacing the field was Ann Jones who copped her third straight victory in this classic over a field of F. I. S. aspirants. Mrs. Jones is a Middlebury graduate, and was a member of one of our best women's ski teams.

Burden Skiis 6th In Harriman Cup

Doug Burden Middlebury's sophomore sensation captured sixth place in the slalom division of the Harriman Cup races at Sun Valley, Idaho on March 23. The Panther flash

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Student Director To Talk On NSA

Mr. Arnold Schuchter, National Student Association chairman for the New England area will be the speaker at student assemblies on Friday and Saturday, March 27 and 28. Mr. Schuchter, a Harvard student, will discuss the goals of NSA and the possibility of Middlebury joining the organization.

The National Student Association is an organization of student bodies, represented through their student governments. It endeavors to improve educational standards and student welfare and to interest undergraduates in national and international affairs.

Activity Planned By Mountaineers

Donald Peach '53, president of Skyline, has announced a series of hikes, square dances, and woodsmenship contests which will be held during second semester.

Woodsmenship contests will display local outdoor skills at the Spring Carnival which will be held on April 1. McCullough Gymnasium will be the scene of a square dance on May 16. The following weekend a canoe trip on Lake Champlain will be the attraction. To climax the year the Mountain Club plans to dedicate the newly constructed cabin at Skylight Pond on May 23.

May Drifts

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the unaccustomed role of a favorite.

What makes track, however, is records and the breaking of them. 1953 threatens to be a bonanza year in this respect. At least six records are seriously in danger, and this writer is not straying too far out on a limb in predicting four new school marks. There will certainly be plenty of opportunities. The schedule is the most ambitious ever attempted by a Middlebury track team, with a meet every three or four days rather than once a week. The team could very well go undefeated in dual meet competition and a third place in the Easterns is also possible. Of course, predicting is easy. The best measure of the team's success will be the results from Maine on April 25.

Ten New England law scholarships will be available to beginning students of law at Northeastern School of Law in Boston. Students interested in these scholarships should write Dean Lowell Nicholson, School of Law, Northeastern University, Boston 8, Mass.

Chapel was changed from 5:30 to 5 a.m. in 1840.

Burden

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negotiated the one thousand yard Rudd Mountain course in the combined time of 2:29. This placed him behind such international stars as Stein Erickson, Norway's Olympic champion, Othmar Schneider and Christian Pravda of Austria and Franz Gabal of Canada.

Minor Sports

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Race chairman Pat Hinman has announced a schedule of two meets in the big boats at Coast Guard along with two meets with U. V. M. The big race of the spring campaign is the New England eliminations at Tufts. Last fall the sailors tacked their way to a fourth place in the Leonard M. Fowle trophy race in a field of 12 colleges. The Yacht club looks also to improvement in their interclub racing as well as on the varsity scale.

Golf

Middlebury's golfers, who posted a 4-2 record last year will open their 1953 campaign against Dartmouth on May 1, at the Rutland Golf Course. At present the team consists of Captain Dick Davenport, Jim Hunt, John and Jim Merwin and Ben Conner. In addition to Dartmouth, Coach Duke Nelson is also aiming at the New England Intercollegiate Golf Championships which will take place later in the season.

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Bridge Aces Win Tourney

Winners of the 1953 campus contract bridge contest were announced recently. They are John McElwain '53, Helen Bergen, '53, Diane Gates '53, and Roberta Pfaff '53. This year the regional play-offs were combined with the regular college tournaments, and the teams representing Purdue and Princeton won the national championships.

Although Middlebury did not win the regional title, certificates will be awarded to each of the four campus winners, and a plaque bearing their names will be placed in the Student Union. The national winners scored a par of 8, while the two teams from Middlebury scored 5 and 6.

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Blood Drive Set For April

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Parent permission blanks will be distributed through the fraternity houses and the women's dormitories. Students under 21 who have not given blood at Middlebury before should obtain these blanks and return them after spring vacation.

Six Ordered To Pentagon

The 453rd Strategic Intelligence Research and Analysis team from Middlebury College has been ordered to active duty at the Pentagon for a two-week period, March 30 through April 11.

Commanding officer of the group is Col. Stephen Freeman. Others making the trip will be Maj. Leonard Hoag, 1st Lt. Harris Thurber, Cpl. John Vogel '53, Pfc. Alan Kimbell '53, and Pfc. Walter Welling '54.

The two weeks of active duty training will include general orientation in military intelligence and study of special projects.

Top Students Study Trends In History 12

In an effort to trim his large History 12 (baby European) class and at the same time reward students with the highest first mester marks in the course, Assistant Professor Pardon Tillinghast has created a special seminar section. Dr. Tillinghast started a new class with his eleven top students and they study as a separate entity from the regular History 12 class. The new group (wrongly talked of as "baby intellectual") works from a different book but covers the same period of history as the larger section.

The smaller class deals with theories and with direct works by historical manuscripts; the accent is not on lists of facts, but on trends and reasons. Dr. Tillinghast decided to start his "baby" this semester after simialr projects proved successful at Williams College. The project will be continued from now on if Dr. Tillinghast's schedule permits, but the problem of picking the small class for first semester work is a tricky one. With no marks to go by, the group may have to be a second semester affair. These plans are not definite.

Variety Show

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the author, Ellis Baker '55. This play with music concerns life at Middlebury and in New York City, and features original songs by Baker. "Monday Night at Seven," a satire on fraternities, written by Donald Peach '53 and William Smith '53 has Edward Huntley '54 and Leroy Craig '55 in the leading roles of Cementhead and Percy, respectively. The third of the skits is "Ground That Deferment, Max," a drama about the ROTC by Melvyn Gussow '55. Howard Thompson '53 is starring as Captain Vermin.

Other headliners of the 1953 Variety Show are Erik Ryge Jensen '54 playing the piano, Richard Harvey '53 in a dance number "Poinciana," a men's kick chorus, the Dissipated Eight, and the Porter House Cossack Chorus.

Midd Drifts

Members of the chemistry, classics, and home economics departments will be guests at the Coffee Hour on Friday at 4:30 p.m. in South Lounge.

Last week we declared the end of the pencil sharpener controversy; but the incident drags on. The CAMPUS office has received one nickle size, plastic pencil sharpener. We thank the anonymous donor. If any other reader is charitably inclined and would care to donate a wall model pencil sharpener, we will be glad to accept that too.

Chaplain Charles Scott will preach at freshman-sophomore chapel on Sunday which is Palm Sunday.

Latest explanation for the grass fire in the field behind Pearsons: grassing.

Vice president Stephen Freeman will speak at the fifth Barnard College-Yale University Conference on the Teaching of French which will take place on March 28 in New York. Approximately four hundred teachers of French from colleges and secondary schools in ten Eastern states will attend.

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